GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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ARJUN TANK
Paraste Shri Dalpat Singh

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Defence Research & Development Organisation proposes to seek foreign technology assistance in order to remove deficiencies in the Arjun Tank;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the Arjun Tank is likely to be inducted in the Indian Army?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) & (b): No, Sir. At present there is no such proposal to seek foreign technology assistance in this regard. Issues related to production of Arjun Tank are being resolved.

(c) Indian Army has placed an indent of manufacturing of 124 Tanks on Ordnance Factory Board (OFB) in March 2000. Five tanks have been handed over to Indian Army. Nine more tanks are under Joint Receipt Inspection.